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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT

Applicant petitions that the abandonment set forth in the notice mailed by the Office on 11/04/2003 be withdrawn as there is no abandonment in fact.

Submitted herewith is:

- A copy of the postcard identifying the papers filed and showing the U.S. PTO receipt stamp dated 10/27/2003.
- A copy of the complete response timely filed.
- A copy of Express Mail Label No. EV325641017US which is the number identified on the first page of the previously filed response showing a written "date in" of 10/27/2003.
- Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of the petition fee. However, as no defect exists in applicant's previous submission, an immediate refund of the petition fee is requested.

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